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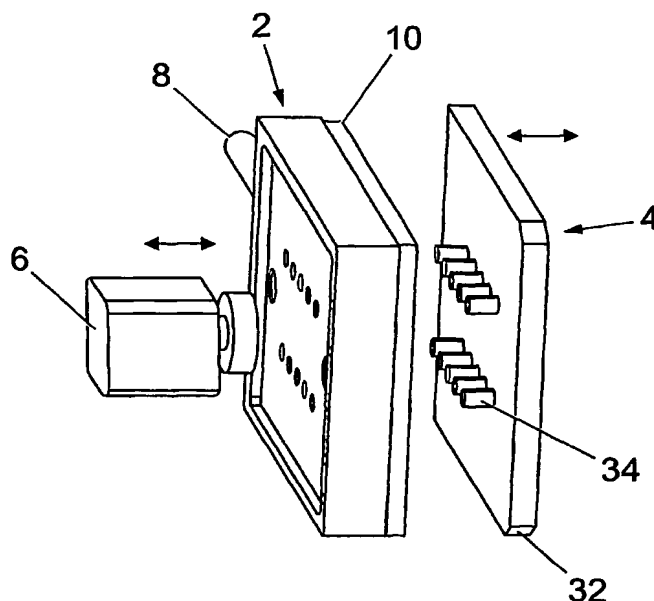
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(57) Abstract: Apparatus for deblistering a pharmaceutical blister pack having a number of product blisters and a lidding material thereover is described. The apparatus comprises a pack holding means (10) adapted to hold the blister pack and means to transfer the pack into and out of alignment with an operating position, the operating position having a lidding material cutting means (4) and a blister punching means (6) on opposing sides thereof. The present invention provides a simple apparatus having few moving parts for deblistering of a blister pack. Only the pack holding means (10) requires significant movement into and out of alignment with the cutting means (4) and punching means (6), each of which requires little movement in themselves to provide their effect.

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